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Benefits for Agency Personnel Injured or Killed While Using
Aircraft

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1. We are asked to advise what benefits are available in the
event of an accident to personnel (including trainees) who,
as part of their duties, fly in aircraft

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2. Such employees are covered by the Federal Employees' Compensa-
tion Act (39 Stat. 742; 5 USCA § 751).

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3. . . . Injury or death resulting from flight in aircraft is not compensable under most life insurance policies. The Government has no added or special liability to an employee or to the next of kin of a deceased employee on this account. The Government's liability is limited to that detailed in the Federal Employees' Compensation Act.

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4. In conclusion, it would appear that there are no special bene-
fits granted by law or by regulation of this Agency to compensate
personnel and trainees who may be involved in an accident while flying
in aircraft. In particular, there is no provision for compen-
sating the family of an employee for losses which it may sustain because
of invalidation of insurance in the manner described.

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The above referenced memorandum is filed in 640-Insurance.